GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Implementation of Pragati Scheme
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the "Pragati" Scheme being implemented by the Government in the country;
(b) the total number of beneficiaries of the scheme along with the funds provided therein across the country since inception, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether the Government has received complaints of operational irregularities under the scheme in the country since inception and if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the other steps taken by the Government for effective implementation of the scheme and increase its coverage across the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)
(a): The salient features of the 'Pragati' Scholarship Scheme are as under:
i) Number of scholarships per annum: 4000
ii) 'One Girl' per family, where the family income is less than Rs. 6 Lakh /annum
iii) The candidates will be selected on merit at the qualifying examination to pursue technical education from amongst such candidates
iv) The candidates should have been admitted to 1st year of the Degree or Diploma programme in any of the AICTE approved institute through centralized admission process of the State/ Centre Government
v) Amount of scholarship: Tuition Fee of Rs. 30,000/- or at actual, whichever is less and Rs. 2,000/- per month for 10 months as incidentals each year.
vi) Reservation-15% for SC, 7.5% ST and 27% for OBC candidate/applicant.
vii) Out of the total number of scholarship in each scheme, 50% scholarships are available at each Degree /Diploma level and also transferable in the event of non availability of eligible applicant in any of the of Degree/ Diploma level Programme.
The detailed information about the scheme is also available at AICTE web portal http://www.aicte-india.org/pragathiSaksham.php.
(b): The details of total number of beneficiaries and the amount sanctioned is as under:
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Academic Year Number of
Beneficiaries
Amount
Sanctioned
(in Rupees.)
2014-15(1st yr.) 1086 36445608
2014-15(2nd yr.) 62 2220600
2015-16(1st yr.) 1025 24606331
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The State wise details of the number of beneficiaries for the above mentioned academic years are at Annexure (I to III) respectively.
(c): No, Madam. So far the Government has not received any complaint regarding 'Pragati' Scheme.
(d): For effective implementation of 'Pragati' scheme and to increase its coverage, advertisements are issued in the leading news papers throughout the country inviting online applications from eligible candidates through AICTE web-portal. The advertisements are also uploaded on the AICTE web-portal.
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